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DELEGATE BIOGRAPHIES

Zafarzhon Abdullozhonov

Director
IMKON Ltd.
Isfara, Tajikistan

IMKON is a private company that was founded in 1994. It employs 26 people and processes, packages and sells fruits and vegetables products. The annual production volume of IMKON Ltd. is 120,000 kilograms. The company's short-term goal is to produce various jams from excess materials and eliminate waste products in production. The company currently purchases its packaging. The company's director, Mr. Abdullazhonov, is interested in packaging equipment and materials, as well as design and marketing techniques.

Nodir Aminzoda

Advisor to the Director
ANIS
Chuzi, Tajikistan

ANIS is a private company with 52 employees founded in 1998. The company processes 4000 kilograms of apples, 6000 kg of grapes, 9000 kg of tomatoes, 2500 kg of cucumbers and 6000 kg of watermelons and melons. As the advisor to the director, Mr. Aminzoda is responsible for harvesting, processing, packaging, and distribution management. The company currently purchases its packaging, and Mr. Aminzoda is interested in packaging equipment and product presentation.

Zamira Bukanchieva

General Director
Tokmokplodoovoch, Ltd.
Tokmok, Kyrgyzstan

Ms. Bukanchieva is the general director and the owner of Tokmokplodoovoch, Ltd., which she founded in 1997. It employs 35 people and produces over 100,000 cans of various fruits and vegetables products annually. Ms. Bukanchieva is interested in her own packaging production in the near future and would like to see state of the art packaging technologies in the United States.

Glamzhan Gafirov

General Director
Ailana
Karabalta, Kyrgyzstan

Private company Ailana employs 90 employees (220 during high season) and produces 1500 tons of canned and frozen fruits and vegetables products annually. The company is interested in producing more of its own raw materials for production in the future, as sales volume increases. The company currently purchases its packaging. Mr. Gafirov is interested in product standards in the United States.

Ibrohim Hamidov

Director
BioMedService Plus
Ferghana, Uzbekistan

BioMedService Plus is a private company with 10 employees, owned by Mr. Hamidov. The company was founded in 2000 and produces dried fruits and vegetables and a natural additive for food from topinambur, also known as the Jerusalem artichoke. Mr. Hamidov is interested in quality control and new technologies for processing and packaging. He currently purchases his packaging from a supplier.

Nuriddin Kumbiddinov

General Director
Nihol-Rostok
Kairakkum, Tajikistan

Nihol-Rostok is a private company with 64 employees, producing 375 tons of frozen fruit products: cherries, apricots and peaches in the summer and potatoes and onions in fall. It is owned in partnership by Mr. Kumbiddinov and Rostok, a nongovernmental organization. Mr. Kumbiddinov is interested in flash-freezing and cutting equipment, international standards and quality control.



Yuliya Lim

Chairperson of board of directors
KUNTUU
Kuntuu, Kyrgyzstan

Private company KUNTUU was founded in 1994. Today it has over 400 stockholders and employs 90 people. The company produces a spectrum of products: juices, marinades, preserves, salads and spice mixes. The company currently purchases its packaging. Ms. Lim, the chairperson of the board of directors, believes that the company has a potential to have a complete production cycle, from harvesting to sales of the goods they make. She would like to learn more about marketing and investing.

Svetlana Martynova

Head Technologist
Lezitli
Ashgabat, Turkmenistan

Lezitli is a private company, founded by Ms. Martynova in 2002. Employing 5 people, the company produces 350 tons of juice annually (orange juice and red and green apple juices). Ms. Martynova plans to expand production to include 150 tons of fruit concentrate from locally grown fruit to supplement the concentrate she imports, and to introduce four new flavors: cherry, peach, pineapple and a tropical blend. She currently purchases her packaging materials from outside suppliers. Ms. Martynova is interested in seeing fruit processing and packaging equipment.

Akbar Murodov

Head Technologist
Kanibadam Canning Plant
Kanibadam, Tajikistan

Kanidbanam Canning Plant is a private company with 350 employees, producing dried fruits. The company both produces and purchases packaging materials from local suppliers. Mr. Murodov is the head of the laboratory and controls quality and standards for production. He is interested in learning more about equipment and packaging methods available in the United States.

Ismonkhodzha Nematulloyev

General Director
SHIRIN
Isfara, Tajikistan

The company was established in 1992 and has 60 employees. Shirin produces a wide variety of canned fruits and vegetable products. The company currently purchases its packaging from a supplier. As the General Director Mr. Nematulloyev oversees the whole process from financing to production. He is interested in learning about new processing and canning technologies in the United States.

Klara Primova

Chairperson
Agroelita
Osh, Kyrgyzstan

Agroelita is an agricultural cooperative that processes, packages and sells fruits and vegetables purchased from over 1000 local farmers (co-op members). As the chairperson of the cooperative, Ms. Primova is responsible for overseeing the entire process from the purchase of the raw materials and packaging to the sales and marketing. Agroelita produces 100,000 kilograms annually. Ms. Primova wants to help the farmers improve the quality of raw material they work with; she is interested in methods of quality improvement and new technologies.

Ruslan Sagidanov

General Director
IAG-Trade Ltd.
Almaty, Kazakhstan

IAG-Trade Ltd. is a private company established in 2004, producing fruit and vegetable juices. The company has 58 employees, producing 1,748,000 units of juice annually and is a joint venture operation with Tajik juice production companies in Hudjant and Asht, Tajikistan. The company currently purchases its packaging materials. Mr. Sagidanov is involved in all aspects of the company's management and is especially interested in marketing and developing a trademark and regulatory issues.

Abdurabi Sanginov

General Director
Khujand Cannery
Khujand, Tajikistan

Khujand Cannery became private in 1996 and has 470 employees. The company produces a variety of fruit and vegetable products, such as juice, compote, jam, preserves, fruit sauce, tomato sauce, various canned goods, and spices. Khujand Cannery processes 31 thousand tons of raw material annually. The company currently purchases its packaging. Mr. Sanginov is interested in learning about the latest technologies.

Vaysiddin Sangov

Director
Sharbatho
Dushanbe, Tajikistan

The company Sharbatho, founded in 1980, is one of the first private companies in Tajikistan. It produces and cans natural fruit juices and vegetable products. The company currently purchases its packaging from a local supplier. Mr. Sangov, the owner and director of the enterprise, supervises 70 employees and oversees the overall management of the company. Mr. Sangov wants to learn about new technologies, safety standards and export regulations and about U.S. government policy on agribusiness and its support.

Zhanybek Sokoyev

Director
Sokoev J
Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan

Private enterprise Sokoev J, established in 1998, produces and packages 300,000 kilograms of vegetable products annually. The company purchases its packaging locally. Sokoev J and its 25 employees have recently received a number of awards for the outstanding quality and taste of its products. As the director and owner of the company Mr. Sokoev is responsible for the general management, production and sales volumes, budget and personnel issues. Mr. Sokoev plans to learn about aromatic food additives.

Bakhtiyorzhon Turgunov

General Director
Valley Dried Fruit
Andijan, Uzbekistan

Valley Dried Fruit is a private company, established in 2000, with 50 employees. It is owned by Mr. Turgunov. Current annual production is approximately 40 tons of dried fruit, paprika and peppers. Products are exported to Europe and the United States, and Mr. Turgunov plans to expand production to 500 tons annually with new types of fruit and candied as well as dried products in the next year. Currently, packaging is purchased externally but Mr. Turgunov is interested in looking at refrigeration systems and packaging equipment in the United States.

Bakhriddin Yakubov

General Director
Shahri International
Shahrisabz Tuman, Uzbekistan

Shari International is a private company owned by Mr. Yakubov and a partner. With 52 employees, the company produces 12 tons of vacuum-packed vegetables, 160 tons of fruit juice and 230 tons of dried vegetables annually. The company produces some of its own packaging and purchases the remainder.

Abdigali Yskak

Factory Director
EcoProductGroup
Tyulkubas, Kazakhstan

EcoProductGroup is a private company founded in 2004 with 450 employees during production season. It delivers approximately 1500 metric tons of product to over 200 sales outlets in Kazakhstan. Products include juices, pickles, vegetable salads, pastes and jams. The company purchases its packaging materials. As factory director, Mr. Yskak supervises production efficiency and quality control, as well as staffing. He is interested in introducing ISO standards and HACCP principles. He is interested in expanding production to include tomato and other pastes packaged in aseptic bags and drums.